

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA APPROPRIATION BILL, 1957

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Mr. RABAUT, from the committee of conference, submitted the following

CONFERENCE REPORT

[To accompany H. R. 10003]

The committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendments of the Senate to the bill (H. R. 10003) making appropriations for the government of the District of Columbia and other activities chargeable in whole or in part against the revenues of said District, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1957, and for other purposes, having met, after full and free conference, have agreed to recommend and do recommend to their respective Houses as follows:

That the Senate recede from its amendment numbered 5.

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendments of the Senate numbered 2, 3, 6, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, and 23, and agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 1:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 1, and agree to the same with an amendment as follows:

In lieu of the sum proposed by said amendment insert \$1,813,950; and the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 4:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 4, and agree to the same with an amendment as follows:

In lieu of the sum proposed by said amendment insert \$32,515,750; and the Senate agree to the same.

The committee of conference report in disagreement amendments numbered 7 and 16.

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STATEMENT OF THE MANAGERS ON THE PART OF THE HOUSE

The managers on the part of the House at the conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendments of the Senate to the bill (H. R. 10003) making appropriations for the government of the District of Columbia and other activities chargeable in whole or in part against the revenues of said District for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1957, and for other purposes, submit the following statement in explanation of the effect of the action agreed upon and recommended in the accompanying conference report as to each of such amendments, namely:

FEDERAL PAYMENT TO DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Amendment No. 1: Appropriates \$1,813,950 to the water fund instead of \$1,613,950 as proposed by the House and \$1,963,950 as proposed by the Senate. The conference committee has reduced the amount contained in the Senate approved bill from \$350,000 to \$200,000 as a Federal contribution toward the construction of a fishway on the proposed Little Falls Dam. The conference committee strongly believes that a fishway should be constructed and urges the Corps of Engineers to make immediate provisions for the inclusion of this conservation feature on the dam. It is the opinion of the committee that any funds in excess of the Federal contribution of \$200,000 to construct a fishway in accordance with United States Fish and Wildlife Service criteria should come from the District of Columbia water funds as previously authorized and appropriated.

OPERATING EXPENSES

Amendment No. 2—*Department of General Administration*: Appropriates \$3,475,000 as proposed by the Senate instead of \$3,425,000 as proposed by the House.

Amendment No. 3—*Regulatory agencies*: Appropriates \$1,058,440 as proposed by the Senate instead of \$1,053,000 as proposed by the House.

Amendments Nos. 4 and 5—*Public schools*: Appropriate \$32,515,750 instead of \$32,130,800 as proposed by the House and \$32,590,750 as proposed by the Senate; and delete language proposed by the Senate authorizing the transfer of \$500,000 from the motor-vehicle parking fund to the general fund. The committee of conference is agreed that, in lieu of the \$75,000 proposed by the Senate for a citywide school census, funds shall be made available for spot check censuses of schoolchildren in the budgeted amount of \$3,256, and the public-school system is directed to furnish upon request of the Committees on Appropriations of the Congress such information as may be available from existing school records. The committee of conference, in deleting the Senate proposal to transfer funds from the motor-vehicle parking fund to the general fund, has taken cognizance of the Washington regional mass transportation survey presently being made.

It has also noted the large balance of funds accumulating in the motor-vehicle parking fund and suggests that the Commissioners begin planning for the immediate and proper utilization of the funds in accordance with the objectives of the act creating the fund.

Amendment No. 6—*Recreation Department*: Appropriates \$1,903,000 as proposed by the Senate instead of \$1,892,500 as proposed by the House.

Amendment No. 7—*Department of Public Health*: Reported in disagreement.

Amendment No. 8—*Department of Public Health*: Appropriates \$25,503,400 as proposed by the Senate instead of \$25,434,000 as proposed by the House.

Amendment No. 9—*Office of Surveyor*: Appropriates \$170,000 as proposed by the Senate instead of \$164,000 as proposed by the House.

Amendment No. 10—*Department of Licenses and Inspections*: Appropriates \$1,658,000 as proposed by the Senate instead of \$1,640,000 as proposed by the House.

Amendments Nos. 11 and 12—*Department of Highways*: Appropriate \$6,535,000 as proposed by the Senate instead of \$6,485,000 as proposed by the House; and provide that of the sum appropriated \$3,966,235 shall be derived from the highway fund as proposed by the Senate instead of \$3,934,304 as proposed by the House.

Amendment No. 13—*Department of Vehicles and Traffic*: Appropriates \$1,303,000 as proposed by the Senate instead of \$1,291,000 as proposed by the House.

Amendment No. 14—*Department of Sanitary Engineering*: Appropriates \$10,896,200 as proposed by the Senate instead of \$10,846,000 as proposed by the House.

Amendment No. 15—*National Guard*: Appropriates \$136,500 as proposed by the Senate instead of \$128,500 as proposed by the House.

CAPITAL OUTLAY

Amendment No. 16—*Public building construction*: Reported in disagreement.

Amendment No. 17—*Public building construction*: Provides \$348,900 for purchase of equipment for new school buildings as proposed by the Senate instead of \$270,400 as proposed by the House.

Amendments Nos. 18 and 19—*Public building construction*: Appropriate \$6,221,700 as proposed by the Senate instead of \$5,200,000 as proposed by the House; and provide that of the sum appropriated \$3,160,700 shall not become available for expenditure until July 1, 1957, as proposed by the Senate instead of \$2,960,700 as proposed by the House.

Amendments Nos. 20 and 21—*Department of Highways*: Appropriate \$14,528,000 as proposed by the Senate instead of \$14,400,000 as proposed by the House; and provide that of the sum appropriated \$14,128,000 shall be derived from the highway fund as proposed by the Senate instead of \$14,000,000 as proposed by the House.

GENERAL PROVISIONS

Amendment No. 22: Deletes language proposed by the House limiting the expenditure of funds for allowances for privately owned automobiles used for the performance of official duties.

Amendment No. 23: Provides that the total expenditures for the payment of dues and expenses of attendance at meetings of organizations shall not exceed \$25,000 as proposed by the Senate instead of \$20,000 as proposed by the House.

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